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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel & Readiness (OUSD

(P&R)), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness (OASD(R)), DoD.

ACTION: 60-day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the

Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness announces a proposed public

information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are

invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have

practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information

collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through

the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by [insert date 60 days from date

of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the

following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer,
 Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Advisory Committee Division, 4800
 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09B, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at http://www.regulations.gov for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Office of Operation Live Well, Office of Personnel Risk & Resiliency (PRR), Office of the Undersecretary of Defense, Personnel & Readiness (OUSD P&R), ATTN: CAPT Kimberly Elenberg, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C., 20301, or call Building Healthy Military Communities Support, Operation Live Well, at (703) 693-2214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

TITLE; ASSOCIATED FORM; AND OMB NUMBER: Building Healthy Military

Communities (BHMC) Pilot Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA); OMB Control No. 0704-XXXX.

NEEDS AND USES: The information collection requirement is necessary to establish a

baseline assessment of readiness requirements and available resources to support these

requirements at a state level, as well as to identify current gaps in resources for Service members

across all components.

AFFECTED PUBLIC: Individuals or households, Business or other for profit; Not-for-profit

institutions, State, local, or tribal government.

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS: 420 hours

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 280

RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT: 1

ANNUAL RESPONSES: 280

AVERAGE BURDEN PER RESPONSE: 90 minutes

FREQUENCY: One-Time

The Building Healthy Military Communities (BHMC) pilot is a multi-year initiative that aims to

better understand unique challenges faced by geographically dispersed Service members and

their families that may impact force readiness and well-being. The BHMC pilot is conducting a

Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA) to establish a baseline assessment of readiness requirements

and available resources to support these requirements at a state level, as well as to identify

current gaps in resources for Service members across all components. The RNA is part of an

effort to enrich the DoD's methodology for creating a well-informed strategic plan aimed at

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optimizing force readiness and well-being through community capacity building and better

coordination among DoD and non-DoD resources. To conduct this assessment, the Office of the

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness (OASD(R)), in collaboration with the National

Guard Bureau (NGB), Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS), and the

Services within the Reserve Component, will conduct interviews with program representatives at

the federal, DoD, state, and local community level to gather qualitative data on their programs

and services, the population(s) served by their programs, and the program manager's

observations on salient issues impacting the well-being of Service members and their families.

The in-person interviews conducted during the RNA will give a unique perspective into all

Services and components regarding gaps in available resources that impact readiness and well-

being. The RNA is a one-time event expected to last from November 2017 to April 2018.

Dated: September 19, 2017.

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